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Deliberately pedagogical in its orientation, this book presents the essentials of English structure in a framework derived from modern linguistic theory and in a way that should be comprehensible to beginning students. The book is intended to offer students an understanding of what is involved in the scholarly study of language as they acquire an extensive knowledge of English grammar. Chapters in the book are: (1) Preliminaries; (2) Word Classes; (3) Constituents and Phrases; (4) Basic Clauses; (5) Coordination and Embedding; (5) Clausal Variation; (7) Underlying Relationships; (8) Rules and Principles; (9) Sounds and Systems; (10) Phonetic Realization; (11) Word Formation; (12) Words and Sounds; (13) Sounds in Context; and (14) Further Reading. Each chapter in the book concludes with a number of exercises, some easily answerable, others more open-ended. An indexed glossary concludes the book. (RS)

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